

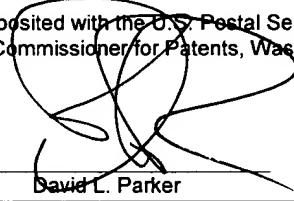


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PRODUCTION AND PURIFICATION OF
ADENOVIRAL VECTORS

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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, it is respectfully requested that this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the documents listed on attached Form PTO-1449 be considered by the Examiner and made of record. Copies of the listed documents required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2) are enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner.

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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98 (a)(3), a concise explanation of the relevance of the submitted article, as it is presently understood, is supplied herein. The following foreign language reference contains an English abstract, which is excerpted below for the convenience of the Examiner.

Reference B3 “The invention concerns a method for producing recombinant adenovirus by which viral DNA is introduced in a packaging cell culture and the viruses produced are harvested after liberation in the supernatant. The invention also concerns the viruses produced and their use.”

Additionally, enclosed is a copy of the Provisional U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 60/026,667 (reference C36), which is the basis for the French Patent Application No. PCT/FR97/01107, published as WO/98/00524.

A fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) in the amount of \$240.00 is included in the check enclosed herewith. If an appropriate check has not been enclosed, or if it is insufficient, the Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct said fee from Arnold, White & Durkee Deposit Account No. 01-2508/INRP:058/PAR.

Applicants respectfully request that the listed documents be made of record in the present case.

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